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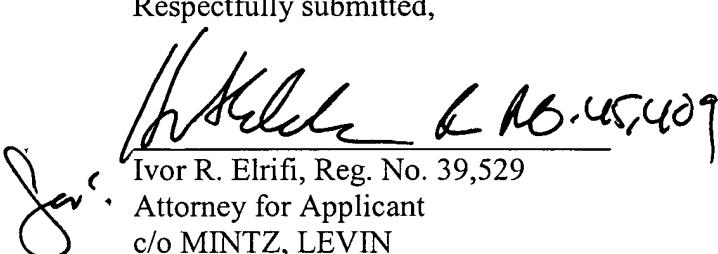
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The following papers are enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application:

1. Response to Election of Species Requirement (2 pages);
2. Return Postcard.

Although the Applicants believe that no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Ref. No. 26448-508). If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,


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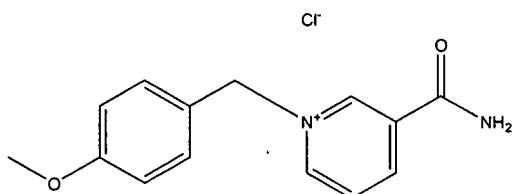
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Species Election Requirement (Paper No. 10) mailed on December 22, 2003, Applicants elect the following species: the compound of Formula I wherein Ar⁺ is a substituted six membered aromatic ring containing one quarternary nitrogen with the remaining ring atoms being carbon (pyridinium) and Y is -CH(R₅)-R₆ where R₅ is hydrogen and R₆ is a C6 aryl, substituted with alkoxy group, specifically a methoxy group. The Examiner has also requested that Applicants elect a specific compound, Applicants elect 3-carbamoyl-1-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-pyridinium; chloride.



Applicants respectfully traverse the requirement and note that the election of species is made for the purpose of examination of the claims only and that applicants maintain the right to have the full scope of the claims, as written, examined on the merits.

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A response is due on or before January 1, 2004, without extension. Please charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311; Attorney Reference No. 26448-508 (Customer Number: 30623).

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